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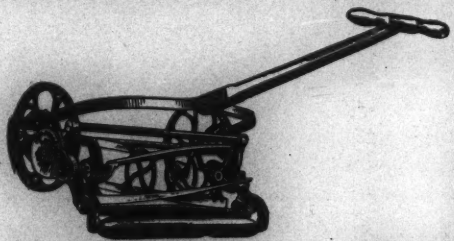
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EDITORIAL

THE New Year is another name for opportunity. The fortunate and successful need the starting post of the New Year to mark their progress, and oh what a wise provision for the discouraged and defeated! What a chance for a fresh start!

Opportunity counts in the game of life, but the opportunity of the New Year, with its suggestions and inspirations, is given to us all. We wish our friends a happy and a prosperous New Year, and do not stop to reason that much of the wish may be fulfilled through themselves.

The good luck of the year is often within ourselves, the bad luck of life has some reason for its being, or is working out a great purpose for the individual.

Generally speaking, the world gives us what we deserve; laziness and selfish indifference cannot expect in the long run to be crowned with the same successes that industry and enthusiastic devotion to the interests of others attain; chicanery and sly cunning cannot hope for the confidence and admiration that are awarded to integrity and an honest compliance with righteous laws and social observances. There is in every life the choice of right and wrong, and upon that choice is based our happiness. To know the right at once, and uninfluenced and unadvised to quickly and courageously choose it, cheerfully accepting the burdens and responsibilities that come through such a choice, is to shape our destinies for the highest and noblest womanhood. Then, in looking forward into the coming year, let us realize that its fortunes, like its weather, must be varied, for life is varied; sunshine and shadow must each have its play, but the individual soul is the master of it all; for truly, "I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul."

THE celebration of the centennial of the birth of General Robert E. Lee will occur throughout the South on January 19th, 1907. All Confederate organizations have planned to unite in a suitable ceremonial at noon of that day, and in every city, town or hamlet, from the Potomac to the Rio Grande, the attention of men will be called to the spotless character, the dauntless courage and the military prowess of that matchless soldier. The story of the public and private life of General Lee is the priceless heritage of the South, but it is also a glorious example for the youth of the entire nation, and the American soldier and the American citizen may point with pride to him as a type of what American life may produce.

STATUARY HALL, in the Capitol at Washington does not contain a representative from South Carolina. The women of South Carolina are not content that South Carolina's place should remain vacant in this Hall of the States. With that thought in mind, the King's Mountain Chapter, D. A. R., of Yorkville, S. C., started a movement last year in behalf of the placing of a statue of John C. Calhoun in that Hall. These energetic women received the co-operation of all women's organizations in the State in

their petition to the Legislature for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars for the erection of such a statue. The bill received the unanimous vote of the Senate, but never came before the House. Encouraged by the manner in which their efforts were received last year, this Chapter is again approaching all women's organizations in the State, asking for their co-operation and support in this endeavor, and again they will appeal for this appropriation for this statue. All associations who receive this appeal for assistance from the King's Mountain Chapter should give them the support they ask for. South Carolina certainly should be represented in this Hall at the Nation's Capital, and she could have no purer, higher type of citizen and statesman than her honored son, once a Vice-President of the United States—John C. Calhoun.

THE recent agitation on the subject of simplified spelling and the final adjustment of the matter to the satisfaction of the conservative and thoughtful element in American life, assures the dictionary of its place in our libraries.

G. & C. Merriam Company has recently issued an enlarged Webster's International Dictionary with twenty-three hundred pages, and it represents what a dictionary may contain. There is no better training for accuracy of expression than the habit of consulting a standard dictionary, and no one ever grows too old to use this literary compass. Who in his life has not been brought at some time face to face with the impossibility of transferring his thought to his neighbor's mind through his vocabulary! The study of mere words is the surest way to overcome this difficulty for both speaker and hearer. At first sight it may seem a very trivial matter to consider the idea of studying the dictionary, but clearness of diction, accuracy of expression and a limpid style is often developed and sustained by a familiarity with the thousands of words which make up this wonderful language of ours.

THE ART FEATURE of the Jamestown Exposition will be a great exhibit of pictures by American artists. An attempt will be made to represent more than two centuries of American art.

QUEEN MARGHERITA, OF ITALY, will be among the royalty to visit the Jamestown Exposition in 1907.

YOUR ACCOUNT of the Biennial was delightful, and I enjoyed every word of it, although I had experienced the "real thing." Your description recalled and unified it all. Now that I know *The Keystone* I would not do without it, for in no other could I so keep in touch with the work of the Southern women.

ALICE BRADFORD WILES,

Pres. Illinois Society U. S. Daughters of 1812.

We enclose subscription for *Keystone*. * * * I make it a rule to talk *The Keystone* for a few minutes to my club, that they may learn to value it and keep up with its contents.

MRS. A. E. SMITH.

Rock Hill, S. C.

Enclosed please find 50 cents for a year's subscription to your very valuable, clever and most interesting paper. It is most helpful to me in my U. D. C. work.

MRS. BENNETT GORDON,

Pres. John S. Mosby Chapter.

Dear *Keystone*: Enclosed find renewal of subscription for another year, beginning with November number. I could not do without it, as I am kept in touch with the active women of our country. Wishing for continued success,

MRS. HARVEY E. JONES,

Historian Alabama Division, U. D. C.

Spring Hill, Ala., Oct. 10th, 1906.

Enclosed is 50 cents, to renew my subscription to *The Keystone*. I have especially enjoyed the last number. The two conventions, Virginia Division and the U. D. C. at Gulfport, are unusually well reported.

ANNA T. MURRAY,
 Pres. Loudon Chapter.

Leesburg, Va.

OFFICIAL CLUB NEWS

For the State Federation of Women's Clubs of South Carolina, Mississippi, North Carolina and Florida.
(This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.)

SOUTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for South Carolina to Mrs. Julius M. Visanska, Corresponding Secretary S. C. F. W. C., 2 Bull Street, Charleston, S. C., Manager.

President—Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Greenwood, S. C.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. A. Russell, Greenville, S. C.
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(67 Clubs—3,000 Members.)

FEELING that the best interests of our Federation can only be obtained by closer relations between the Clubs and our Executive Board, I would like to suggest that each Club send a copy of their Year Book to the State President, and at least once during the year write of the work accomplished, the prospects for the future, and any suggestion that may occur that will tend to further the work of the Federation and bring us into a better understanding with one another. May I also suggest that if, instead of querying, "What does the Federation do for us?" we change the question into "What are we doing for the work of the Federation?" and then doing with all our might even the little things, we will find that the first question has almost answered itself. When we make the best of our possibilities, it is even better for us than if we had just thought the best things not possible, and so let pass our opportunities.

MARGARET SMYTH MCKISSICK,
President.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA Federation has been officially recognized during the past month as follows: The S. C. Division, U. D. C., asked for greetings from the Federation at their meeting in Greenville, December 5th, along with greetings from the Colonial Dames and the D. A. R. The Federation's greetings are presented in person by the State President, Mrs. McKissick.

AGAIN the S. C. Association for the Improvement of Rural Schools invited our State President to make an address at their annual meeting in Columbia, December 31st, in hopes of arousing the interest of Club women in this direction. Mrs. McKissick made an address on the co-operation of parents and teachers, and ably represented the Federation.

AGAIN the National Civic Federation, recognizing the progress of civic work in the S. C. Federation, extended an invitation to our State President to attend their recent meeting in New York City; unfortunately engagements in the State prevented Mrs. McKissick from accepting this invitation.

FORTY-TWO contestants applied for examination for our four vacant scholarships. The successful appointees were: Chicora, Miss Mary T. Wyatt, Easley; South Carolina Kindergarten Association Training School, Miss Alice M. Jennings, Spartanburg; Greenville College for Women, Miss Lizzie McDaniel, of Union County. A fourth ap-

pointee withdrew on health grounds. The following named young ladies have the honor of continuing to hold scholarships from last year: Converse, Miss Rosalie McKie, of Salley, and Miss Janie Rhodes, Mayesville; Confederate Home School, Miss Edna Chaplin, John's Island; Clifford Seminary, Miss Minnie Marshall, of Williamsburg County. Reports have not been received from the Greenville Female College and Columbia College since the opening of the present session, but last year's incumbents were expected to retain their scholarships.

VARINA D. BROWN,
Chairman of Department of Education.

MRS. RUFUS FANT, Chairman of the Civic Department of the S. C. Federation, has recently been appointed a member of the Forestry Committee of the General Federation.

THE CIVIC CLUB OF CHARLESTON is in a most flourishing condition. On November 14-17th the Club, with the assistance of a committee of teachers from the public schools, conducted an exhibit of the Turner Prints and realized the satisfactory sum of \$200, besides giving the children of the city an opportunity to see the reproductions of great masterpieces in Art. The exhibit was held in Masonic Temple and was well attended from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M. each day. A committee of club women and teachers was in attendance each day to explain the pictures. The proceeds of the exhibit will be expended by the club in decorating a room in each one of the four public schools. The room selected in each case is that of the class whose pupils sold the greatest number of tickets for the exhibit (the admission price was only 10 cents). A committee from the club of capable women, with real artistic ability, is now working with the teachers in charge of these four rooms, planning for suitable improvements and decorations.

THE *Anderson Intelligencer* states that the Anderson Civic Association has done more towards beautifying Anderson than everybody else combined, and suggests that the City Council donate \$5,000, or any amount they want, to this Association, the money to be spent as the ladies direct.

AT A RECENT meeting of the Summerville City Council the work of the Summerville Civic Association was heartily commended, and a resolution passed approving the work already accomplished by the ladies and promising hearty co-operation from City Council in any plans for the future.

THE THURSDAY AFTERNOON Club of Greenville set aside their regular program and changed their day of meeting in order to have Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, ex-President of the S. C. Federation and ex-Cor. Secretary of the General Federation, address the club while she was in Greenville attending the meeting of the S. C. Division, U. D. C. The club met at Mrs. Ansel's residence on Friday afternoon, and Miss Poppenheim spoke on "Club Women in Education and Literature." The address brought out much informal discussion, which was heartily entered into during the serving of refreshments.

THE CATEECHEE Club of Greenwood had the pleasure of entertaining Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, December 13th, at the home of the President, Mrs. A. F. McKissick. The entertainment was mainly social, though Mrs. Booth gave the Club a brief talk; her main lecture took place that evening, when Mrs. Booth took occasion to urge the importance of the reformation work.

THE S. C. ASSOCIATION for the Improvement of Rural Schools has made application for membership in the S. C. Federation, and expects to be represented at the Orangeburg meeting. The consolidation of the interests of the club women and the educators in South Carolina grows stronger day by day.

IN THE INTEREST of the Jamestown Exposition a request has been received from the Department of Agriculture in Washington for unmounted photographs of School Gardens.

Will any Civic Club or Committee engaged in promoting such gardens, or beautifying school grounds, kindly communicate with Miss Mary Waterhouse, Beaufort, S. C.

Miss Waterhouse announces the gift of three portfolios of Elson Prints to the Loan Collection of the Federation from the Cateechee Club.

MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for Mississippi to Mrs. E. C. Coleman, Kosciusko, Manager.

President—Mrs. Robt. E. Jones, Crystal Springs.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. J. Harding, Jackson.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. A. F. Andre, Crystal Springs.
(35 Clubs.)

WOMAN'S SPHERE

[Extract from an address before the King's Daughters, delivered by Mrs. Brooks F. Small, of Vicksburg, chairman of Legislative Committee of the Mississippi Federation.]

IN making the report of the Legislative Committee to the Mississippi Federation last April I told them that the only important business occupying the committee during the legislative session had been the Child Labor Law, which measure was introduced and successfully carried in the Lower House two years ago, but never reached the Senate.

To avoid a similar fate, it was decided to place the bill in what is known as the Dummy Code, where it could not escape consideration, as the whole Code had to be revised and adopted section by section in the Senate. This committee drew up a circular petition and had one placed upon the desk of every Representative and Senator.

It is my misfortune, however, to come before you bearing a message of inglorious defeat. I am a politician only in so far as that I am now going to tell you how it happened. You have sat quietly in your homes and allowed your husbands to send, in many cases, men to represent you and to enact your laws who are not true and representative Mississippians, or if they are the fact accuses yourselves. Influence your husbands to see to it that their representatives are worthy to represent them, and so uphold and assist those who would lead us forth from the Egypt of heterodox legislation and set us on the heights where the white light of truth may reveal only humanic laws. An ancient proverb

tells us that boys may make a noise in the world but girls never, but when a man makes a noise in the world it is usually the result of a woman's silent power.

It is true, the question in our State has not grown to large proportions, as is the case in other mill and factory districts, but the octopus has germinated, is growing, and is putting forth its vampire tentacles with each year; and if this were not true, can there be such a thing as degree in regard to ill-used children? If only a few of our poor children are sacrificed yearly, do you tell me that our crime is only comparative for that reason?

Sir Robert Peele, in 1802, started the movement to abate the evil of child labor in England, but nothing was ever done about it until forty years afterward, when the pen of a woman shattered it as with the touch of the spear of Ithuriel when she wrote the lines beginning

"They look up with their pale and sunken faces,
And their look is dread to see," etc.

THE PERIPATETICS OF BROOKHAVEN have not wearied in well doing, but have held regular meetings, with interesting programmes, through the summer.

THE WOMAN'S CULTURE CLUB, of Hazlehurst, opened its year's work with a reception at the home of its President, Mrs. A. B. Pitts. The Club was honored in having as guests Mrs. R. E. Jones, President of the Mississippi State Federation, and Mesdames Ross and Allen, prominent Club women, of Louisiana.

Mrs. Greenlaw gave some ideas of Club work for the coming year, and Mrs. Jones responded in her usual happy style to a call from the President for some remarks.

The entertainment for the afternoon was the amusing game, "Geography."

Salads and ices were served, after which toasts were drunk in sparkling grape juice, to the old and new officers, to the new members, to Shakespeare, "the Prince of Poets," and to the visitors.

The Culture Club starts the new year with a full membership and others waiting a vacancy.

They will study Shakespeare, taking up three plays, "As You Like It," "Julius Caesar," and "Hamlet." Besides this, they will have an art study course, and have some review work in parliamentary law. They hope to do much in establishing traveling libraries in their own county.

THE CHRYSTAL SPRINGS FLORAL CLUB fittingly observed their 13th anniversary on December 6th at the residence of Dr. R. E. Jones, the originator of the club. Addresses were made by Mrs. R. E. Jones, Mrs. Joseph Flowers, Mrs. W. J. McCluney and Mrs. Rhymes. Mrs. William Lockwood gave a toast appropriate to the occasion, and dainty refreshments were served after the election of the following officers: Mrs. C. M. Hoover, President; Mrs. W. B. Lockwood, Vice-President; and Mrs. W. J. Ramsey, Treasurer.

MRS. MECKLENBERGER reports that two beneficiaries of the Scholarship Fund have been placed with Dr. Raymond at Holly Springs, and two at the Industrial Institute and College at Columbus.

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Recording Secretary—Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Milo McNeal, Ormond.
(25 Clubs—1,100 Members.)

It goes without the saying that it was with the greatest delight the delegates from the various Clubs of Florida started for Tallahassee for the invitation given by Mrs. Shackleford, President of the Woman's Club of that city, to the State Federation had been so cordial that all felt that their welcome was assured, nor were they disappointed, for on the arrival of the afternoon train kind hostesses greeted them and literally took possession of the weary women.

The drives that followed were most interesting for many of the ladies who had never before seen the famous little city, seated upon her seven (?) hills. Indeed, these same hills were a revelation to the plain dwellers of Middle and Eastern Florida.

Some idea of a Tallahassee hostess may be learned from the experience of one forlorn delegate whose baggage had been delayed and who found herself minus the proper reception gown. The despair of this Cinderella was removed, not by a fairy God-mother, but by a practical and thoughtful hostess, and she went to the reception, most tastefully arrayed, and enjoyed the exquisitely arranged function in the time-honored way—and well she might, for beautifully decorated rooms, delightful music, delicious refreshments, and, best of all, charming guests, from the two famous Governors, through the list of Tallahassee's interesting people, conspired to make this reception one long to be remembered.

Wednesday morning brought the business of the convention, beginning with a meeting of the Directors, and considerable routine business was dispatched.

Regrets were sent to Tampa that the convention dates interfered with that of Woman's Day at the Fair—the convention date having been selected before that of Woman's Day was announced.

The credential committee having attended to its duties, the convention opened its session by singing the Ode written for the occasion by Mrs. Julia E. Wideman, of Tallahassee. The invocation by Rev. W. M. Poage followed. Mrs. Shackleford's Address of Welcome went straight to the heart of every stranger and made her feel that here indeed was the "Open Door," and that she might "Enter in and abide in all peace and happiness." Most fittingly was the response to this welcome, given by Mrs. W. W. Cummer, of Jacksonville, and after expressing the Federation's appreciation of their royal reception, she gave the most forcible refutation to some of the criticisms made on Women's Clubs. The remainder of the morning was taken up by the reports of the officers, and closed with the President's Address. Lack of space prevents us from giving this in full, as we would wish, but all who know Mrs. Adams, and have heard her previous addresses, can easily imagine her graceful delivery and the strong, sweet thoughts in which

her messages ever abound. Reference was made to the new constitution, by which six new lines of work were added, these being: Art, Civics, Civil Service Reform, Club Extension, Pure Food, and Child Labor. Mrs. Adams expressed satisfaction over the Federation's influence in the enactment of the law incorporating kindergartens in the Public School System of Florida. She spoke of the kindergarten scholarship established in the Florida Female College. She expressed a hope that the next victory would be the legal requirement of compulsory education in the State. The adoption of the Federation Badge and its use for the first time at an annual meeting was pleasantly mentioned. It was stated that there were at present twenty-five Clubs, aggregating about eleven hundred members, in the Federation. Mrs. Adams referred to the great opportunities in Florida for civic improvement, and urged the clubs to take up this work as well as that of forestry. Reference was made to the child labor problem, and also library extension was urged. In conclusion, the President offered interesting data relative to the detail work of her office, stating she had written over five hundred letters on Federation business, besides numerous postals. Her reference to the cordial relations which had existed between herself and her officers found a ready response in the hearts of these same officers, for never was there, in Florida nor elsewhere, an executive officer more heartily beloved, nor more willingly served. After the adjournment, the delegates were taken for a drive around the city and over the classic hills of Leon to the magnificent Ronalds Estate, where was served a picnic lunch, the richness and variety of which was truly characteristic of Tallahassee. The enthusiasm of the visitors over this charming diversion was voiced all during the drive, and the delegates returned to business greatly refreshed and delighted.

Wednesday afternoon a business meeting of the Federation was held, which consisted of reports of Standing Committees, the Educational and Industrial Committee, Reciprocity Committee, Social Purity, Bird Protection, Household Economics, Forestry, Library Extension, Art and Club Extension Committees. All of these reports showed most excellent work accomplished and high hopes for the future. The routine work was interspersed with most charming music.

Wednesday evening an address was given by Mrs. A. O. Granger, Ex-Chairman of the General Federation Child Labor Committee. Her address was listened to with eager attention, not only by the members of the Federation, but their many men friends who were in attendance. Mrs. Granger most forcibly depicted the horrors of child labor in other States, and urged the women of Florida to secure the passage of a law preventing such scenes in this State. Her message was, "Take time by the forelock, and have the law enacted before the evil gains a foothold." At the close of the lecture the audience was treated to most charming singing, by Mrs. J. Clifford R. Foster and others.

Thursday morning and afternoon were devoted to reports of the various committees and clubs. The clubs all reported earnest effort. A Juvenile Reading Circle had been added to several literary clubs, among which was

Miami. A new feature in the Jacksonville Club was the establishing of a Rest Room, also an effort by the Civic Committee of the same club to improve the condition of the waiting rooms of the railway stations throughout the State. After each report was an informal discussion, in several of which Mrs. Granger joined, touching, among other things, on the Juvenile Court. She also gave a graceful picture of Judge Lindsay, the founder of this great institution. She urged the clubs to study this subject, as did also Mrs. Raynor, the Chairman of Civics.

Thursday afternoon occurred the election of officers, resulting in:

President, Mrs. Clara W. Raynor, Daytona.
 First Vice-President, Mrs. T. M. Shackleford, Tallahassee.
 Second Vice-President, Mrs. C. J. Huber, Tampa.
 Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami.
 Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Milo McNeal, Ormond.
 Treasurer, Miss May Crosby, San Mateo.
 Auditor, Mrs. J. L. Wells, Lake City.
 State Federation Secretary, Mrs. Kirk Munroe, Coconut Grove.

In the evening another charming reception was given the visitors, at the Florida Female College. The evening began with a very fine musicale, when was demonstrated the high standard of the Woman's College. The instrumental and vocal music were of the highest order, while the rendering of that favorite selection, "Robert of Sicily," was greatly enjoyed by the very large audience. The Federation keenly appreciated the flattering attention on the part of the faculty and students, and heartily wished this worthy institution the greatest success, and trust that many good club women may come forth from its classic shades.

Friday morning was held a concluding session, under the head of unfinished business; the emblem of the Federation was changed to the orange on its leaf, that being the emblem on the pin. The invitation of Gainesville for the next meeting was accepted, while that of Arcadia was declined with sincere regret. The Free Art Bill was endorsed and proper petitions drawn up and signed. Under the head of the year's work, notice was given that renewed effort was to be made to get the fine Loan Art Collection of the General Federation for the Florida clubs. Information about this may be obtained by writing to the Federation president, Mrs. Clara W. Raynor, Daytona. A feature of the session was an exquisite recitation by Mrs. Hirshberger, of Tallahassee.

Mrs. Adams made a touching little farewell address, when there were tears in many eyes, for her words ever evoke the best and tenderest emotions, and it was with heartfelt regret the delegates realized that it was the close of her most successful administration, as well as that of the 12th Annual Convention of the F. F. W. C.

The following were present: Mrs. Richard F. Adams, Mrs. Hilburne, Mrs. Gardner, Palatka; Mrs. J. S. Frederick, Miami; Mrs. Raynor, Miss Thorpe, Mrs. Weaver, Daytona; Mrs. Munsell, Green Cove Springs; Mrs. Cumer, Mrs. Grether, Mrs. Keene, Mrs. Wamholdt, Mrs. Lambkin, Jacksonville; Mrs. Farwell, Mrs. Williams, Live Oak; Mrs. Ware, Mrs. Stevens, High Springs; Mrs. Wells, Mrs. Stephens, Lake City; Miss May Crosby, Mrs. Crosby, San Mateo; Mrs. Smythe, Ormond.

NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

Address all communications for North Carolina to Mrs. T. M. Pittman, Henderson, N. C.

President—Mrs. J. T. Alderman, Henderson, N. C.
 Recording Secretary—Miss Sallie Simms Kirby, Goldsboro, N. C.
 Corresponding Secretary—Miss Rebecca Cheatham Watkins, Henderson, N. C.
 (33 Clubs—934 Members.)

THE WOMAN'S CLUB of Raleigh is closing a contract for the purchase of a house for the club's permanent home. The location decided upon is the Lodge property and dwelling on Salisbury street, fronting on the Capitol Square, the price to be paid \$7,000. The building committee showed ample funds on hand to complete the trade. The decision to purchase the home was very popular, and this club, although not much over one year old, now includes 250 of the most representative women in Raleigh.

Recently the club enjoyed a talk from Col. Fred A. Olds, representing the Chamber of Commerce, and urging the co-operation of the club in civic reforms. Colonel Olds stated that he is arranging for locating in Raleigh a Swiss colony, now settled in the Northwest. He proposes to bring a number of these families to North Carolina as farmers, and the young women will act as good domestic labor.

THE women of the State are now working in conjunction with the Mecklenburg women and are sending out petitions, circulars and good literature, to every town and county in the State. Every Woman's Club in the State is asked to become interested and take part in this work of the Industrial School.

This institution must not be called "reformatory," but "Industrial and Training School;" then the boys and girls will not feel the stigma that is attached to the former word.

I, for one, as a member of the State Committee, want to thank the people of Mecklenburg County for requesting their representatives to vote for establishing and maintaining the institution for which we are now working.

MRS. I. W. FAISON.

The reformatory movement in North Carolina has been smouldering for several years, but in the last few weeks it has been fanned into a blaze, which has been felt in the most remote districts, and those who have been most interested have received from every corner of the State letters setting forth the object and plan of the institution to be known as an "Industrial School" for criminal and delinquent children.

We have our Orphanages and Rescue Homes for unfortunate children, bereft or deserted by their parents, but now our great need is for the child, who has committed a wrong, to save him from the penitentiary, where he is thrown into contact with the hardened criminal, where the stigma of such environments will always mark him, and where, in all probability, he will go from bad to worse.

There must exist unity of purpose and concerted action. Let all organizations composed of women, and all persons interested, without reference to clubs, societies or orders, combine and make this the work of all the women within the confines of our wide State border.

MRS. J. E. REILLEY.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS

President—Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, 1550 Sherman Ave., Denver, Col.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Charles Perkins, 1547 Clinch Ave., Knoxville, Tenn.

(Up-to-date Notes.)

[The *Federation Bulletin*, "the official organ" of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, according to agreement at the St. Paul Biennial, sends out to all sectional "official organs," each month, advance sheets of the official General Federation news, which it has received for publication. The following are official items for January.]

AS THE Chairman of the Education Committee of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, I take pleasure in wishing you all success in the new year's work for education.

I am glad to call your attention first to the work in behalf of better ethical instruction in the schools of our nation, and to let you know that a Conference on that subject is to be held in Chicago in February, with members of other national organizations of women and of the National Education Association.

Such a Conference was planned in connection with the great annual meeting of the National Educational Association at San Francisco last July, which was rendered impossible by the earthquake. The Superintendents' Department of that organization will meet at Chicago in February, and its officers are arranging for a two hours' conference between ten of its members and two representatives each from the General Federation of Women's Clubs, the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Congress of Mothers, and the Daughters of the American Revolution. The chief subject for discussion will be the best methods to be used in both home and school for producing high character in the children of our land. Each organization is gathering pamphlets and courses of study for comparison and approval at this Conference. Will you, therefore, kindly forward to me, before February first, outlines of any methods which have been found to be particularly successful in your State? It is hoped that this Conference will bring about a permanent and helpful relationship among these six organizations in their work for education.

As a second matter of interest, let me ask you to find a place among your pamphlets for a volume of Statistics on Teachers' Salaries, which will soon be sent to you by the Secretary of the National Educational Association. If you can find time, during the next two years, to discover from these statistics which shall have the highest standards, and just where your own State stands with regard to them, and then to disseminate that knowledge among clubs of your State, you will be helping the Committee of the General Federation to prepare for some work it hopes to do in the future. The National Educational Association is glad to give us this opportunity to increase our own familiarity with present conditions, and to spread as widely as possible the knowledge its workers have amassed in this volume. We hope that the Conference in February will lead to the publication of other statistical tables which will show in compact form how the various States compare in regard to other important educational matters. Guided by such statistics, the allied efforts of so many organizations ought to bring

about a greater degree of uniformity in the educational advantages of the different parts of our nation.

While you are considering the salary question, will you also endeavor to find what is the required equipment for the teaching profession in your State? Very few States have any fixed standard. All kinds of certificates or diplomas are accepted, and in some places none are required. A few States require normal school diplomas or high school diplomas. Some schools require also a college diploma. All the information you can gather with regard to your own State will be gratefully received by the member of the General Committee who corresponds with you.

The third line of work which the General Committee must undertake this year is the raising of a fund for the scholarship in an English University, which was recommended to the Executive Board at St. Paul by the vote of those present at the Conference on Education, and was later approved by the Board.

The General Committee asks each State Committee to raise one hundred dollars (\$100) toward such a fund, and also to present a candidate for the scholarship who shall be a graduate of the State University or of some institution in the State of equal rank. The conditions which shall decide the bestowal of the scholarship upon one of the candidates presented by the various States have been left in the hands of a Special Committee of three College Deans and Presidents selected from the Advisory Committee of the Committee on Education. They are Miss Laura D. Gill, Dean of Barnard College; Miss M. Carey Thomas, President of Bryn Mawr College; and Miss Agnes Irwin, Dean of Radcliffe College. This Special Committee will have these conditions ready to present to the Council for approval at the meeting in Jamestown next June. It is hoped that every State President will come to that Council with the report that her State will be ready to present its \$100 at the Biennial in Boston. Each State Committee on Education will be left to select its own method, both for obtaining the hundred dollars and for choosing the candidate. All candidates should be reported to the Special Committee before November 1, 1907. Arrangements will be made for this after the Special Committee has reported to the Council in June.

Hoping that your State Committee may give its cordial co-operation in these lines of work, and also that the General Committee may be able to give you any encouragement or assistance in your State work which you may desire.

MARY M. ABBOTT,
Chairman.

THE TRAVELLING Art Gallery of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, sent out by the Art Committee, consists of about fifty oil and water-color paintings, loaned to the Federation by well known artists of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Washington, St. Louis and Chicago. The collection contains also original etchings, many of these by old masters, loaned by Albert Roullier, Fine Arts Building, Chicago. This splendid exhibition of paintings will "travel" to Women's Clubs in interior towns. Any Club may have the collection for exhibition by writing to the Chairman. There is no expense connected with this offer except paying the express from the last place of exhibition.

The case of paintings will weigh about one hundred pounds. A tour is arranged for each State. The paintings are for sale if desired. The gallery may be retained four days. Wire and hooks, for hanging the pictures, also a catalogue, is provided. The paintings are not framed, but simply matted, and can be hung without difficulty. It is hoped that many communities far removed from Art centers of the cities will avail themselves of this opportunity to see paintings by noted American artists. The children in the public schools of each town should be invited. Every one loves pictures, but few *know* Art. To understand and enjoy the message of the artists, one must see paintings; for it is the whole-hearted enjoyment which comes with growing powers of appreciation that gives painting, and indeed all Art, its great impulse and influence.

With greater knowledge of "noble and beautiful things" will come higher ideals for mankind. The Art Committee recommend that the clubs do not confine the exhibition to their own Club Day. There should be a *Public Art Day*, that the whole community may be invited.

JEAN SHERWOOD,

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SOUTH CAROLINA WOMEN AWARD PRIZES

THE Executive Committee of the Woman's Association for the improvement of rural schools in South Carolina held an important meeting in the office of the State Superintendent of Education, in Columbia, on the afternoon of November 29. This committee took pleasure at this time in awarding the ten prizes of \$100 each, offered to the rural schools making the greatest material improvement in the school buildings and grounds from April 1-November 15, 1906. The requirements for complying with the regulations of this contest were distributed early in the year among the various county superintendents, and it was gratifying to have 18 applications for the 10 prizes, and it was difficult to decide upon only 10 schools, all had done such excellent work. The committee made its decisions merely from the written accounts presented, which stated the condition of the school before it entered the contest, and its condition at the close of the contest. The following are the successful schools: Laurens, *Wallace Lodge*; York, *Guthriesville*; Florence, *Serdis*; Marlboro, *Pine Grove*; Barnwell, *Ulmers*, and *Healing Springs*; Clarendon, *Trinity*; Chester, *Ockley Hall*; Dorchester, *Stallsville*, and *Marion*, *Unity*. A special committee from the officers sent suggestions to each school, recommending the use to which the \$100 could be put. This fund of \$1,000 for these prizes came to the association from the Peabody Fund for South Carolina, and it is to be hoped that this fund will again be available for the use of the executive committee.

As the members were all staying at Wright's Hotel, the committee meeting extended over the time spent in Superintendent Martin's office. Mr. Martin was present at the meetings and gave much information about many of the competing schools.

The committee also made plans for the annual meeting of the association in Columbia, December 31 and January 1. The program was planned to interest the public generally in the broad question of education, as well as in the special subject of rural schools. The following members were present: Miss Mary Nance, president; Miss Annie Cain, vice-president; Miss Bessie Rogers, recording secretary; Miss Anna Starke, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Reamer, treasurer; Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, chairman of executive committee; Miss Gertrude Sherer, Miss Bertha Reaves and Miss Theodosia Dargan.

L. B. P.

BEAUTY IN EVERY-DAY LIFE

The Columbia Civic Improvement League wishes, through the columns of *The Keystone*, to call the attention of all civic improvement workers in the State to the bill which will be introduced at the next session of the Legislature, for the improvement of the State House grounds. This bill will be prepared and introduced by Hon. F. H. Weston, the newly-elected Senator from Richland County, and the Columbia League urges all civic improvement workers to use their influence with the representatives from their respective counties for its passage. The bill proposes to place the work in the hands of a competent commission, which will probably be combined with the tree and park commission of this city, so that complete harmony can be secured in all work.

In their present condition the grounds are a disgrace to the whole State. They are not even kept clean, nor is the grass cut regularly. The recent erection of the magnificent equestrian statue to General Hampton makes it more necessary than ever before that something be done. Our handsome State House and the imposing monument standing near, should have a setting befitting their dignity and importance.

If the women of the State will show that they are deeply interested in this subject, the work of cleaning and beautifying these grounds will not be postponed for another year. Mrs. Rufus Fant, of Anderson, chairman of the Civic Department of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, considers this a very important matter, and she has expressed a hope that the women will communicate with their legislators without delay.

A beautiful clean Capitol, surrounded by clean and beautiful grounds, will be one of the best advertisements that the State can possibly have that she is a live, progressive commonwealth.

The comprehensive report on the improvement of Columbia, which was made by Landscape Architect Harlan P. Kelsey, contains very artistic and practical plans for the beautification of these grounds. Also, Mr. F. W. Ruckstuhl, the sculptor, during his recent stay in the city, in connection with the erection of the monument, made many valuable suggestions in regard to their improvement.

BELLE WILLIAMS,

Columbia, S. C. Pres. Civic Improvement League.

Please renew my subscription, if possible, with the number following the last sent to me, the March number, I believe, unless the April number was sent and miscarried. I cannot get along without *The Keystone*. It is such a pleasant link with past associations, that I devour it for news of the companions and activities of the dear old life.

DAISY S. EDGERTON.

Washington, D. C.

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY

This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

President—Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, 31 Meeting Street, Charleston.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. August Kohn, Columbia.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Harriet P. Lynch, Cheraw.
Treasurer—Miss Mary McMichael, Orangeburg.
(56 Chapters—2,209 Members.)

ALL official notices from the South Carolina Division, U. D. C., officers to the chapters in South Carolina will be issued through this column. Chapter presidents will please note this fact and instruct their chapters accordingly.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION at its annual convention in Greenville, December 5th-7th, 1906, created two new State officers, that of Registrar and Recorder of Crosses. Chapter presidents are requested, as soon as possible, to send lists of their chapter membership, alphabetically arranged, together with duplicate copies of application papers of all members of their chapter up to date to the State Registrar, Mrs. C. E. Graham, Greenville, S. C. These copies of application papers should be signed by the president and secretary of the chapter to make them officially in shape for filing. To facilitate the filing of these records in future, chapters are urged to require each *new* member to fill out two application papers exactly alike, one to be kept in the chapter records and the other to be sent to the State Registrar. Blank applications for membership may be secured from the State President, Recording Secretary and the Registrar.

THE RECORDER OF CROSSES for South Carolina, Mrs. Thos. W. Keitt, Clemson College, will gladly give all information as to the rules for the bestowal of Crosses of Honor. Blank sheets, properly ruled and arranged for the alphabetical lists of names of veterans upon whom Crosses are to be bestowed can be secured from Mrs. Keitt, and two duplicate copies of this list should accompany all certificates for Crosses. Chapters will apply to Mrs. Keitt for these blanks, and in future in applying for Crosses of Honor must use these blanks, filling them out with the alphabetical list of names of soldiers upon whose record the Cross is secured. Certificates of eligibility and the necessary money for the Crosses must be sent to Mrs. Keitt with these lists, and she will forward same to the U. D. C. Custodian of the Crosses.

MARY B. POPPENHEIM,
President S. C. Division, U. D. C.

THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY, Mrs. H. P. Lynch, has sent out reply postal cards to the chapters to collect data for the 1907 roster of officers of chapters in South Carolina. Chapters are requested to return these cards filled out as soon as possible, so that the minutes of the Greenville convention may be printed and distributed.

THE Eleventh Annual Convention of the South Carolina Division U. D. C. was held in Greenville, December 6th. All the business sessions were held in the Pythian Hall, which is most suitably arranged for such a meet-

ing, and which was appropriately decorated with the colors of the Confederacy, Confederate pictures and banners.

All the officers of the Division (nine), one of the two chairmen of the two standing committees and sixty-eight delegates representing thirty-seven of the fifty-six Chapters of the Division, were present, making the largest convention ever held by the South Carolina Division. The total vote cast being 94.

The following nineteen Chapters were not represented by delegates: Clark Allen, Abbeville; Aiken, Bennettsville, Blackville, Conway, Darlington, Easley, Edisto Island, Edgefield, Fort Mill, Gaffney, Georgetown, Kershaw, Marion, Old Point, Pinopolis, Saluda, St. Georges, Summerville.

The Convention was opened by a prayer from Rev. A. R. Mitchell, then followed addresses of welcome from Mayor Mahon of Greenville, on behalf of the city, and Rev. T. W. Sloan, in behalf of the Greenville Chapter U. D. C. Both these addresses were full of cordiality and patriotic sentiment, and were a fitting introduction to the hospitable homes of big, progressive, open-hearted Greenville. Mrs. Reed Stoney, of Columbia, S. C., Vice-President of the Division, most eloquently responded in behalf of the Division. Greetings from the South Carolina Society of the Colonial Dames, through their President, Miss Adele P. Vanderhorst, of Charleston, and from the State Regent of the D. A. R. in South Carolina, Mrs. Virginia M. Bratton, of Yorkville, were read by the Corresponding Secretary, these two ladies being unable to present these greetings in person. Mrs. A. F. McKissick, of Greenwood, President of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, brought greetings from that organization in person, and these fraternal greetings from the other three great organizations of women in the State created an elbow touch in patriotism and good works which was most encouraging and inspiring, and which was a fitting introduction to the actual working session of the convention.

The credential committee, Mrs. W. T. Hunt, Newberry, chairman; Mrs. T. W. Keitt, Clemson College; Mrs. Rufus Fant, Anderson; Mrs. Lynch, Cheraw; Miss McMichael, Orangeburg, presented such a careful and accurate report that the convention was put in working order at once. A committee on rules and regulations, Mrs. Baker, Sumter; Mrs. Bell, Laurens; Miss L. B. Poppenheim, Charleston, and Miss Martin, Newberry, framed good practical rules for the guidance of the convention and thus facilitated good order and harmony in the sessions. The President's report covered the numerical development of the Division, showing that six new chapters had been organized and one old one revived and reorganized in the past year. The new chapters were: St. Matthews' Chapter, St. Matthews; Secessionville Chapter, James' Island; Edgefield Chapter, Edgefield; Michael Brice Chapter, Blackstock; St. George Chapter, St. Georges; William Lester Chapter, Prosperity. The reorganized chapter, Moses Wood Chapter, Gaffney. These chapters, with the certificates of membership issued this year, 155, would indicate that 300 new members had been added to the division.

The report reviewed the co-operative work of the Division and urged the following recommendations:

First. That the Division continue the co-operative work of a Reunion Fund for the Veterans.

Second. That the Division pledge for the Confederate monument at Arlington, made at Gulfport, be increased in amount.

Third. That the Shiloh monument receive some contribution this year from every chapter.

Fourth. That the needs of South Carolina Room in Confederate Museum in Richmond be considered by the chapters this coming year especially.

Fifth. That some co-operation be offered by the chapters to the Virginia Division in their efforts for a U. D. C. building at Jamestown.

Sixth. That in accordance with a ruling at Gulfport, this Division pass a by-law which would provide for a State Recorder of Crosses of Honor.

Seventh. That the new co-operative work of the Division should be the establishment, for three years as a trial, of a scholarship in some woman's college in South Carolina for the descendant of a Confederate soldier.

At the close of this report, the President was presented with a lovely ornamental basket, filled with growing ferns and tied with red and white ribbons, the colors of the Confederacy, from the Dixie Chapter, Anderson. The committee to consider the recommendations of the President were: Mrs. Graham, Greenville; Mrs. Conner, Charleston; Mrs. McKissick, Greenwood; Mrs. Bunch, Columbia; Miss Felicia Murray, Anderson. This committee reported favorably on the recommendations later on in the convention, and by vote of the convention the *Reunion Fund* was continued, the pledge from the Division for the *Arlington Monument* was increased to fifty dollars. At the report of Miss English, the South Carolina representative, receiving subscriptions for the Shiloh Monument in South Carolina, five minutes was given for receiving pledges for the *Shiloh Monument*, and twenty chapters pledged a sum total of \$110, the other fifteen chapters present reporting that they would take the matter home for their chapters to consider.

The South Carolina Room at the Confederate Museum was discussed, and its needs laid before the Division through two letters and a comprehensive report from Mrs. Ruffin Cox, the Vice-Regent for South Carolina, and it is hoped that the request for pictures of local monuments, names of speakers and the full text of their addresses will be forwarded to Mrs. Cox by the chapters which have not yet already done this work.

A *by-law* was adopted providing for a State Recorder of Crosses, whose duty shall be to receive from chapters all applications for Crosses and all alphabetical lists accompanying these applications, to record the names of the soldier on whose record the Cross is bestowed and all necessary data connected with his service, to keep an alphabetical list of these names and records in a record book, and to be a means of communication between the chapters and the U. D. C. Custodian, and to have charge of all matters pertaining to the Crosses of Honor.

The recommendation in regard to the *scholarship* was most enthusiastically received, many wishing to make the

offer a four years course, but after careful consideration the convention accepted the three years' scholarship idea, striking out, however, the word woman's and making the scholarship possible in any college in the State where women students are received. It was decided to leave the details of this scholarship plan in the hands of the executive committee of the Division, with the understanding that they would invite offers and the best terms from all the colleges in the State, and for them to select the best proposition made to the Division for a scholarship; after which decision the chapters, by voluntary contributions, would each year raise the necessary funds to pay the expenses of this scholarship.

The Recording Secretary's report advised more constitutions and minutes printed for distribution among the chapters, and that chapter delegates condense the reports to a brief summary of about 100 words for printing in the minutes.

The Corresponding Secretary's report reviewed the question of the reply postal cards for a roster of chapter officers, and explained their value and use, and advised that a more official pamphlet for memorial resolutions should be secured by the Division in the future. A motion providing for such a pamphlet was later carried in the convention.

The Treasurer's report showed total receipts of \$435.66; total expenditures of \$234.50, and a balance on hand of \$191.16.

The *Executive Committee* reported that in as much as in past years the travelling expenses of some State officers had been paid to U. D. C. and State conventions, it would be advisable to make some provision for such official expenditure by means of a by-law. After some discussion, the following by-law was unanimously adopted:

"The division shall pay the railway and Pullman car fare of the State President in person to all U. D. C. and State conventions, and the railway fare of the Recording Secretary in person to the State convention. This transportation shall not be transferable in case either of these State officers cannot attend these conventions in person. Funds for this transportation shall be taken from the Division treasury, and in case these officers see fit not to use or accept such funds for their transportation, they may designate to what special Division co-operative fund they may wish their expense account applied."

Immediately upon the passage of this by-law, the President donated her traveling expenses to Gulfport and Greenville to the *Scholarship Fund*, and the Recording Secretary her expenses to Greenville to this fund also, making a nucleus of fifty dollars for this fund.

In the unavoidable absence of Mrs. A. T. Smythe, the South Carolina member of the Davis monument committee, the report from that committee was read by Mrs. James Conner, of Charleston. This report showed that the great monument is practically completed and will be ready for unveiling June 3d, 1907. An appeal was made for a continuance of the sale of the Confederate pictures, the chapters to receive one-half of the price, \$1, of each set, the other half to go to the monument fund. The amount received in South Carolina in 1906 for the monument was \$31.

The committee on *Vol. II. South Carolina Women in the Confederacy*, Mrs. James Conner, chairman; Mrs. A. T.

Smythe, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Miss M. B. Washington, Charleston; Mrs. Thos. Taylor, Mrs. August Kohn, Mrs. T. B. Legare, Columbia, reported through their chairman, Mrs. Conner, that the book was in proof, and was being indexed, that the committee hoped to deliver it the early part of 1907, and requested that they be continued so as to complete their work, and notice was given that the price of the book would be \$1.25. The committee was continued as they requested.

The Reunion Fund Committee, Mrs. Julia Campbell, Chester, chairman; Mrs. C. C. Featherstone, Laurens; Mrs. Ira Jones, Lancaster; Mrs. Richard O'Neale, and Mrs. I. W. Bunch, Columbia, reported through their chairman, Mrs. Campbell, that seventeen chapters had responded to this call for co-operation work on the part of the Division, and that \$143.50 had been received; Clemson College Chapter led the subscription list with \$35; Charleston, \$25; Orangeburg, \$20; the following chapters contributing smaller amounts: Abbeville Chapter, Chester, Cheraw, Edisto Island, Johnston's, Pinopolis, Greenwood Chapter, Greenwood Memorial Association, Sumter, Dixie Chapter, R. E. Lee Chapter, Palmetto Chapter, Anderson; Jonesville and Florence Chapters. This work continues as co-operative work for next year, and it is hoped that more of the fifty-six chapters in the Division will take part in it. The Wade Hampton Chapter, in Columbia, disbursed this fund for the comfort and pleasure of the Veterans at the reunion in Columbia and the plan proved a great success.

The plan presented to the Division for consideration last year by Mrs. Reed Stoney for a monument to the four South Carolina Generals, Kershaw, Conner, Hagood and McGowan, she reported she wished to modify, and offered as a substitute that the Division take as a co-operative work the painting of two portraits for the State House, one of General Conner and one of General Hagood, both members of General Hampton's official family when he was Governor of South Carolina. After discussion, the convention decided to adopt this plan of the two portraits, a committee from the Division, with Mrs. Stoney as chairman, to have the matter in hand. Mrs. James Conner, of Charleston, at once stated that she would give the portrait of General Conner, and thus relieved the committee of the responsibility of providing for this portrait.

The amendments to the constitution providing for the creation of a State Registrar and more clearly defining the duties of the Corresponding Secretary, were unanimously passed. These amendments, with the new by-laws, will be incorporated in the constitution, which will be printed and distributed to all the chapters early in January.

A thirty-minute conference on chapter methods, conducted by the Division President on the second morning of the convention, brought out many inquiries from chapters about the practical workings of the association and much discussion on the question of the Crosses of Honor, U. D. C. badges and certificates of membership. As a result of this conference, Mrs. Keitt, of Clemson College, introduced a motion providing that all South Carolina chapters giving Crosses in the future shall have the name of the Veteran engraved upon the bar. This motion and its practical carrying out was much discussed and adopted.

The Historical Session, on Wednesday night, was held in the auditorium of Chicora College, a most attractive and well-arranged hall for such exercises. Mrs. R. D. Wright, chairman of the historical committee, presided at this session, and presented one of the best literary sessions the Division has ever enjoyed. In her annual report she reviewed the work of the department, reported that over 35 new MSS. had been filed this year and that the entire collection of over two hundred and twenty-five MSS. had been catalogued by a card catalogue system and was now kept in a large tin box provided for its safe keeping.

The regular *literary program* was presented immediately after the historical report, and was as follows:

A duet on the piano, by Misses Nell Poe and Grace Graham; a poem, "Charleston," by Kil Courtland, Dixie Chapter, Anderson, read by Mrs. J. M. Padget, of the same chapter; a vocal solo, "It Was Not To Be," by Prof. Hagstrom; a paper, "The Trial Trip of the Virginia" (the old Merrimac), by Miss Elizabeth Dominic, Drayton Rutherford Chapter, Newberry, read by Mrs. W. H. Hunt, Newberry; a violin solo, by Miss Winn; paper, extract from a speech by Hon. James Simons, of Charleston, in connection with the men in the torpedo boats in Charleston harbor, read by Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Charleston Chapter; a poem, "In Memoriam," for Mrs. Jefferson Davis, by Kil Courtland, Dixie Chapter, Anderson, read by Mrs. Rufus Fant, Anderson; "Dixie," solo by Miss Lenoir Jones and chorus by a number of young lady students of Chicora College.

The next morning the historical committee had their usual half-hour conference, and Mrs. Wright and Mrs. McIntosh, of Newberry, the two members of the committee present, conducted a most instructive session. Mrs. Wright introduced resolutions in regard to this Division co-operating with the Veterans and Sons of Veterans in a petition to the Legislature for the collection and publication of the rosters and histories of the South Carolina regiments in the war between the States. This resolution opened some most interesting points of historical discussion, which showed that numerous chapters, Abbeville, Chester, Greenville, Jonesville, Lancaster and others, were already working to collect such data, and the resolutions were unanimously adopted, and the President empowered to appoint a committee of five to co-operate with the U. C. V. in South Carolina in this work. Mrs. McIntosh, who has charge of the collection of the rolls of honor, made a strong plea for this work, showed how the rolls were recorded in the historical committee records, reported 69 rolls collected this year; Cheraw leading with 35, Chester, 15, while Spartanburg, Clemson College, Newberry, Florence and Charleston filled the rest.

The historical half-hour was closed by the adoption of a resolution, offered by Miss L. B. Poppenheim, endorsing the action of the Gulfport convention in regard to the celebration of the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Gen. R. E. Lee, January 19th, 1907, and binding the chapters to observe this celebration by a mid-day Confederate ceremonial, with the hymns, "How Firm a Foundation" and "All the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest," and any other exercises suitable for the occasion.

Wednesday afternoon was devoted to the hearing of

chapter reports, and in this session one was impressed with the splendid work being done by the individual chapters; monuments raised, needy veterans cared for, cemeteries kept in order, literary and historical sessions engaged in by chapters, Confederate anniversaries observed, school prizes awarded, and Confederate soldiers' graves marked.

These thirty-five reports each brought a message of co-operation and a promise of future usefulness. It was most gratifying to note that four of the six new chapters sent delegates, the St. Matthews, James Island, Blackstock and Prosperity Chapters all were represented.

The report of the *Gulfport Convention*, U. D. C., as printed in the *December Keystone*, was also read at this afternoon sessions by Miss Hames, of Jonesville, one of the South Carolina delegation present at Gulfport.

The *Memorial exercises*, held on Thursday morning, were simple and impressive. They were opened at 12:30 by a prayer by Rev. Z. T. Cody, followed by the hymn, "Blest be the Tie that Binds." Suitable resolutions were then offered in memory of Mrs. Jefferson Davis by a committee composed of all ex-Presidents of the South Carolina Division, namely: Mrs. A. T. Smythe, Mrs. Ellison Capers, Mrs. W. C. McGowan, Mrs. Thomas Taylor, Mrs. James Conner, Mrs. H. S. Burnett, and read by Mrs. James Conner. These resolutions were received standing and in silence.

Resolutions on deceased members of the Division were then presented by the following committee: Mrs. W. L. Coleman, Mrs. W. H. Fowler, Mrs. B. A. Morgan, and read by Mrs. Coleman, after which the roll of chapters was called, and, all standing, each chapter answered to its name by repeating the list of its deceased members during the past year. Eleven chapters reported deceased members for 1906. The memorial exercises closed with the hymn, "How Firm a Foundation," and the benediction by Dr. Cody.

The *election* of officers took place on Thursday afternoon and was in the hands of the following tellers: Miss Tony, Johnstons, chairman; Miss Emma Shannon, Camden; Mrs. Waters, Florence; Miss Meares, Winthrop College; Mrs. Perry, Lancaster, and Miss Eubank Taylor, Anderson. So capable were these ladies that eleven officers were elected by ballot in forty-five minutes. The election resulted as follows: President, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. S. Reed Stoney, Columbia; Mrs. W. L. Coleman, Johnstons; Mrs. Julia Campbell, Chester; Mrs. W. H. Fowler, Yorkville; Recording Secretary, Mrs. August Kohn, Columbia; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. H. P. Lynch, Cheraw; Treasurer, Miss Mary McMichael, Orangeburg; Auditor, Mrs. A. B. Hames, Jonesville; Registrar, Mrs. C. E. Graham, Greenville; Recorder of Crosses, Mrs. Thos. W. Keitt, Clemson College.

Appreciative resolutions of thanks, offered by the following committee, Mrs. Emily M. Spann, Sumter; Mrs. Brooks, Greenwood; Mrs. Girardeau, Columbia; Mrs. A. R. Smith, Rock Hill, were read by Mrs. Brooks.

There was a most flattering array of invitations presented to the convention for its next place of meeting; Chester, Columbia and Spartanburg all giving most cordial invitations to the Division to meet within their borders. A ballot resulted in the selection of Chester as the next place of meeting.

All the business sessions were called to order and adjourned promptly on time, and much routine business was dispatched through the excellent personnel of the delegations. Knowledge of parliamentary law, a willingness to facilitate business and an earnest desire to work together for the best interests of the State were marked characteristics of the Greenville meeting.

A great deal of co-operative work was undertaken, but the spirit of the convention was so enthusiastic and willing that there is no doubt but that the chapters will bravely uphold the pledges made by their representatives in their names.

THE SOCIAL FEATURES of the Greenville convention were most enjoyable, and the Mountain City nobly sustained her reputation for hospitality and a delightful social life.

The chapter reception, on Tuesday night, given at the home of the president, Mrs. C. E. Graham, was a large and brilliant function. The receiving line was composed of the officers of the State Division, Mrs. James Conner, the only ex-president of the Division present, and the officers of the Greenville Chapter. Mrs. Graham's beautiful large house was filled with guests and the spirit of friendly converse was quickly developed on the first evening.

After the literary historical session, the delegates and their hostesses were the guests of *Camp Pulliam, U. C. V.*, and *Camp William Beattie, S. C. V.*, in the parlors of Chicora College. This courtesy on the part of the Veterans and Sons of Veterans was most complimentary to the Daughters, and a most delightful evening was enjoyed.

On Thursday night the *president and faculty of the Greenville Female College* entertained the delegates at this college, and the beautiful music by Profs. Brown and Barnes, and the charming recitation, "A True Daughter of the Confederacy," by Miss Simms, added to the other pleasures of the evening. At all three of these evening receptions delightful refreshments were served by the charming girls of Greenville.

On both Wednesday and Thursday, the local chapter served a beautifully appointed luncheon in the Pythian hall, where all delegates were seated at comfortable tables and could enjoy social intercourse with one another along with the refreshing luncheon provided by their thoughtful hostesses. The hour and a half devoted to this recreation was most enjoyable and the delegates were enabled to transact much more business in the sessions through this wise arrangement for their comfort.

Many hostesses entertained at private dinners and suppers in honor of the visiting Daughters, and while the majority of the delegates returned to their homes on Friday, many lingered over Sunday and enjoyed an aftermath of convention pleasures. As was said in the response to the address of welcome, "Greenville had been called the Pearl of the Piedmont," the Daughters had found her to be the "pearl with a soul, that is the beautiful opal." The weather was ideal, bright, sparkling and bracing. Kind hostesses, cordial and sympathetic educational institutions, the Veterans and Sons of Veterans all surround the S. C. Division, U. D. C., with an atmosphere of such genuine sympathy, appreciation and encouragement that the Greenville convention will linger long in the memory of the association.

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ON December 6th, 1906, at the home of Mrs. N. V. Randolph, Richmond, Va., a meeting of the Ways and Means Committee for representation of the Daughters at Jamestown was held, for the purpose of effecting permanent organization.

At the recent convention held at Gulfport, after the reading of the President's report speaking against the Jamestown Building for the Daughters of the Confederacy, it was deemed inadvisable to ask for the endorsement of the U. D. C., their treasury not being in condition to offer the financial aid necessary to success; therefore, the Virginia Division, having decided at their own convention to erect said building, if the U. D. C. did not endorse the plan, the Chairman solicits individual subscriptions from all Daughters of the Confederacy, or any one interested in the work.

The organization for carrying out this plan is known as the Daughters of the Confederacy Building Association, Virginia Division, Jamestown Exposition, Norfolk, Va. The following officers were elected:

Honorary President, Mrs. Claude A. Swanson; President, Mrs. W. R. McKenney, Petersburg; First Vice-President, Mrs. F. A. Walke, Norfolk; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Cabell Smith, Rocky Mount; Secretary, Mrs. Pryor Jones, Petersburg; Treasurer, Mrs. C. B. Tate, Drapers Valley, and the following Board of Directors: Chairman, Mrs. N. V. Randolph, Richmond; Mrs. F. A. Walke, Norfolk; Mrs. J. H. Fulton, Wytheville; Miss Eloise Jones, Mrs. Morris, Roanoke; Mrs. W. W. Old, Norfolk; Mrs. Samuel Griffin, Bedford City; Mrs. Jas. A. Scott, Mrs. Wm. Stokes, Lynchburg; Mrs. George Nelms, Mrs. F. M. Barrett, Newport News; Mrs. R. E. Crump, Portsmouth; Mrs. Henrietta Herbert, Mrs. Robert Hudgins, Hampton; Miss Annie Mann, Petersburg; Mrs. Robertson, Berkeley, Mrs. A. J. Ackiss, Princess Ann.
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The Hospitality Committee will consist of representatives from each chapter, who will in turn act as hostesses during the Exposition, their quarters being in the building; there they will welcome the visitors, so that each departing guest may carry away only pleasant recollections of their visit to the Daughters of the Confederacy Building of the Old Dominion.

An Advisory Board of gentlemen from Richmond, Petersburg and Norfolk will aid the Daughters by their counsel.

Many bids were considered by the Building Committee, but after carefully weighing the matter the contract was

awarded to C. B. Moore, of Norfolk, at a cost of \$5,000. The building, as we have said before, will be a replica of "Beauvoir," the committee sparing no pains to have it as accurate as possible; the furniture will be suited to the house and period, so that visitors will truly feel that they have gone back to that period in our history which we represent. Mr. J. F. Biggs, Richmond, dealer in antique furniture, will have charge of the furnishing. From the foregoing plans it will readily be seen that the Virginia Daughters will have a full New Year before them, and it behooves each and all to do their uttermost that they may uphold the standard set by them in the past, and perchance far exceed any other efforts made by them heretofore.

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THE MARYLAND DIVISION, U. D. C., held its annual meeting in Baltimore in November. Owing to the illness and resignation of the president, Mrs. D. Giraud Wright, the vice-president, Mrs. G. S. Norris, presided. For the first time all chapters in the Division were represented at an annual meeting by delegates. It was decided that in future the offices of president of the Maryland Division and president of the Baltimore Chapter should not be held by any one person at the same time, and that the county chapters should be represented in the vice-presidencies. The announcement was made that the Confederate sale, under the auspices of the Baltimore Chapter, held in the early part of November, had realized \$500 after all expenses had been paid, and that this money would be used by the chapter for local charity. The election for officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. F. G. Odenheimer, Odenwold, Howard County; First Vice-President, Mrs. G. Smith Norris, Belair; Second Vice-President, Mrs. R. Alexander Hammond, Jessups; Third Vice-President, Mrs. Victor Baughman, Frederick; Fourth Vice-President, Mrs. A. T. B. Egee, Chesapeake City; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Neilson Poe, Jr.; Recording Secretary, Miss Georgiana Graham Bright; Treasurer, Mrs. Winfield Peters; Historian, Miss Mary Hall; Custodian of Crosses of Honor, Miss Mary Zollinger, Baltimore.

THE TEXAS DIVISION, U. D. C., held their annual convention at Bryan, on December 4th-7th. There were eighty-eight delegates in attendance, and the Confederate Woman's Home was the principal topic of interest. This home, it is expected, will be completed by next December. Chapters and individuals were allowed the privilege of furnishing the rooms, and eight were taken to be furnished with a memorial plate on each door. "Dixieland" was adopted as the official organ of the Texas Division. There was much stress laid on the question of unfair and objectionable school histories, and chapters were urged to co-operate with school superintendents and teachers in this matter. Mrs. Joseph Dibrell, amid much enthusiasm, was unanimously re-elected President of the Division, and Austin was selected as the next place of meeting for the Division.

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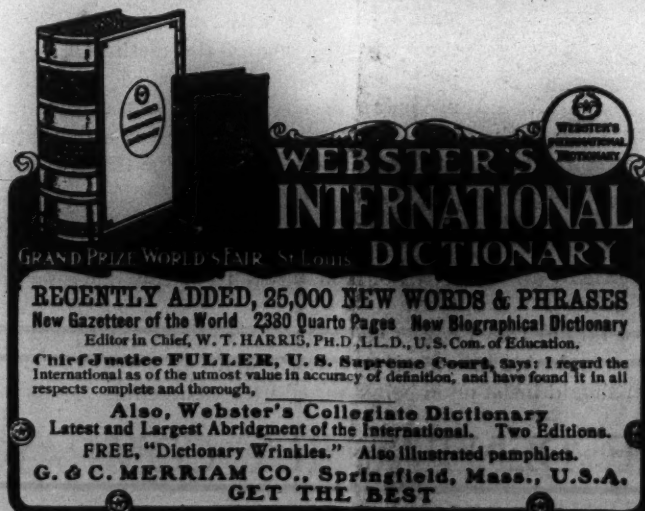
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